

Student given one wish

After winning her battle with leukemia, Kim Novotny's request to the Make-A-Wish Foundation will be fulfilled this weekend

By SARA SITZMAN
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

Thanks to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a Northwest student's wish will come true.

A few months after Kim Novotny turned 13 in 1996 she was diagnosed with leukemia. Novotny spent the majority of her high school years overcoming the illness.

"It was kind of rough," Novotny said. "I had to try to keep up with classes."

While in the hospital, her doctor contacted the Make-A-Wish Foundation and told it about Novotny. The Foundation then granted her one wish in 1999.

Taking a few years to decide what her wish would be, Novotny made the decision in August that she wanted to go to New York and meet Rosie O'Donnell.

"When I was in the hospital I watched her all the time," Novotny said. "She made me laugh. It made the day a little bit better after treat-

ment."

Now a Northwest student, Novotny leaves for New York Saturday with her mother, brother and best friend Amber Havelka. They will attend the taping of the Rosie O'Donnell Show Monday, which will air next week.

Besides the show, they will get to experience New York City by staying on Broadway and visiting the Empire State Building.

The Foundation covers all expenses including plane tickets, food and hotel costs for Novotny and her guests.

Havelka is excited about sharing the experience with her friend.

"It's something that will make her happy," Havelka said. "We can go out and have fun and not have to worry about things here at home."

"I'm just really happy that her health is back to normal because I don't know where I'd be without her."

The attacks in New York did not affect the scheduling of Novotny's trip, but she hopes to get close to ground zero.

"Now more than ever they need people to go to New York," she said.

Novotny's cancer has been in remission for five years and it has given her a new perspective on life.

"It kind of makes you wake up and see what you have in front of you," she said. "You don't take things for granted."

Novotny is a Sigma Kappa member. Her major is undecided, but she is thinking about going into nursing or working with children.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants wishes to children with life-threatening illnesses. It was founded in 1980 in Phoenix and has granted a wish to every qualified child, totaling more than 83,000 children around the world.

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PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Kim Novotny will visit New York with her mother, brother and best friend thanks to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. They will also attend the Rosie O'Donnell Show.

Parking policies covers permits

By SARA SITZMAN
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Drivers must have a permit to park on campus, and if that permit is not attached completely to their windshield they will receive a ticket.

Despite recent complaints the policy is not a new one and is made clear in the Parking and Traffic Policies handbook, said Clarence Green, director of Campus Safety.

Ticketing for the violation started two weeks ago and is a \$20 fine. Prior to the tickets, about 150 warnings were given to inform students and faculty who had not read the policies, Green said. Tickets were also given the second week of school but were later revoked.

"We didn't feel people were educated about that," Green said. "We tried to give everyone a warning before we started actually giving tickets."

The rule was implemented because of stolen parking permits, and people sharing and switching permits, Green said.

"It caused a lot of problems," Green said.

While several people have come in with concerns, so far Campus Safety has only given about 50 tickets for the violation, Green said.

"A lot of folks said they never did read the policies," Green said.

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Football fever



PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Chris Banks attempts an interception in Alpha Kappa Lambda's 12-0 win against Sigma Phi Epsilon for the intramural football championship Tuesday. Alpha Sigma Alpha won the sorority game against Sigma Sigma Sigma.

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Literary magazine taking submissions

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Although "Medium Weight Forks" has encountered its share of problems, Northwest's literary magazine has bounced back to become a significant University publication.

The magazine was created as an outlet for students' artistic expression. It is a student-run publication including works of art, fiction, poetry and essays given by students.

"Medium Weight Forks" is accepting submissions through 5 p.m. Dec. 14. Submissions need to be turned into the English Department or the "Medium Weight Forks" mailbox in Golden Hall. All Microsoft

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Three second-year Missouri Academy of Science, Mathematics and Computing students are semi-finalists for national academic scholarships.

Christopher Lewis is a semi-finalist for the National Achievement Scholarship. He is one of 1,500 competing for a scholarship for black high school students. Next spring, 700 students will earn the award.

Brandon Taylor and Vincent Carpenter are semi-finalists for the National Merit Scholarship. They are among 16,000 students who have

Date Auction sponsored to benefit attack victims

Families of firefighters, police and port authorities whose lives were claimed Sept. 11 will receive monetary relief from Northwest students.

A Date Auction, sponsored by KNWT and set for 7 p.m. Friday in the Student Union, is donating the majority of proceeds earned from bidders and "a dollar at the door" admission to the AmeriCares Foundation relief efforts.

Five female and seven male students will be auctioned off with date packages including dinner, a

Chinese festival planned

By JULIE MILLER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A Maryville restaurant and a Northwest organization team up this weekend to give a new meaning to going to dinner and a show.

Maryville's Mandarin Restaurant and the Chinese Student Association will provide a Festival Dinner at 6 p.m. Friday.

The dinner is in honor of the Chinese Moon Festival, which takes place in China during the full harvest moon, or the 15th day of the eighth lunar month.

Association President Christy Chu said in Chinese culture the round shape of the full moon represents reunion.

"Basically it's a festival to celebrate unity," Chu said.

The Association, which has 33 members of many nationalities, came together to organize the festival.

Although the dinner is catered by the Mandarin Restaurant, the festival includes more than just a meal. Students also organized activities to shed more light on Chinese culture.

Performances by seven Association members in traditional costume will illustrate Chinese legends surrounding the moon and its role in the festival.

Eric Tan, a Northwest graduate student, will direct and act in the play.

"We are trying to show the legend of the Moon Festival," Tan said. "We want to make the audience get a feel for the story."

Students have also planned a fashion show with more than 10 traditional and modern Chinese outfit.

Chu said she hopes the fashion show will offer a view of Chinese culture not normally seen in Maryville.

Other activities include games to depict Chinese culture. Prizes will be distributed courtesy of local businesses.

Tickets for the Festival Dinner are \$8 for adults, \$7 for students, and \$4 for children. Proceeds will help fund further Association activities.

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movie or other activity and an added surprise of their own.

Omaha Symphony set to perform for University

The Omaha Symphony will perform at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Victor Yampolsky is the musical director of the symphony. The Russian-born violinist was an assistant conductor for the Moscow Philharmonic before immigrating to America in 1973.

Tickets are \$16 for orchestra seating, \$14 for balcony seating and \$12 for ages 3 through 13. Tickets can be purchased at the Student Services desk on the first floor of the Administration Building.

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Highway construction continues

By CLARK GRELL
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Construction on Highway 71 continues with the threat of winter lurking in the future.

Highway 71 is being extended from two lanes to four lanes to make for easier traffic flow from Maryville to St. Joseph. The cost of the entire plan is \$8.5 million, which makes it one of the largest projects in northwest Missouri.

The project is behind schedule because of weather, and the area has received more than 50 inches of rain making it difficult to stay on track.

Plans are for Highway 71 to be open to four-lane traffic by fall of 2002, but those plans have been pushed to early 2003.

Even with the setback, workers are not feeling the pressure to hurry the project.

"It is not a big deal," said Larry Jacobson, head of the project office in Maryville. "We're not putting in too much extra time to get this done."

Jacobson is in charge of the dirt-grading project on Highway 71 which is costing just under \$3 million. His crew is working on two sections south of Maryville and stretching almost eight miles to Route A.

The winter will put a halt on the construction for Jacobson and his crew.

"Once you get a good freeze, there is not much you can do," Jacobson said. "We will continue in the spring."

Jacobson said the south section is almost 98 percent complete and the north section should be near that figure by the end of the month.

Bids will soon be taken for the paving, which will not start until dirt-grading is complete.

The dirt-grading near Maryville is not the only part of the plan behind schedule. Paving from Route 48 and south on Highway 71 is also behind schedule.

"We've had several working days discharged because of rain," said Scotty Williams, head of project office in St. Joseph. "We will keep working as long as the weather is acceptable."

The paving for that section should be complete by early 2002, Williams said.

Although plans are not going as scheduled, Williams and Jacobson both said there will be no hassles with traffic. Jacobson said there should be no restrictions against commuters traveling between Maryville and St. Joseph.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Skidmore man sentenced for murder of girlfriend

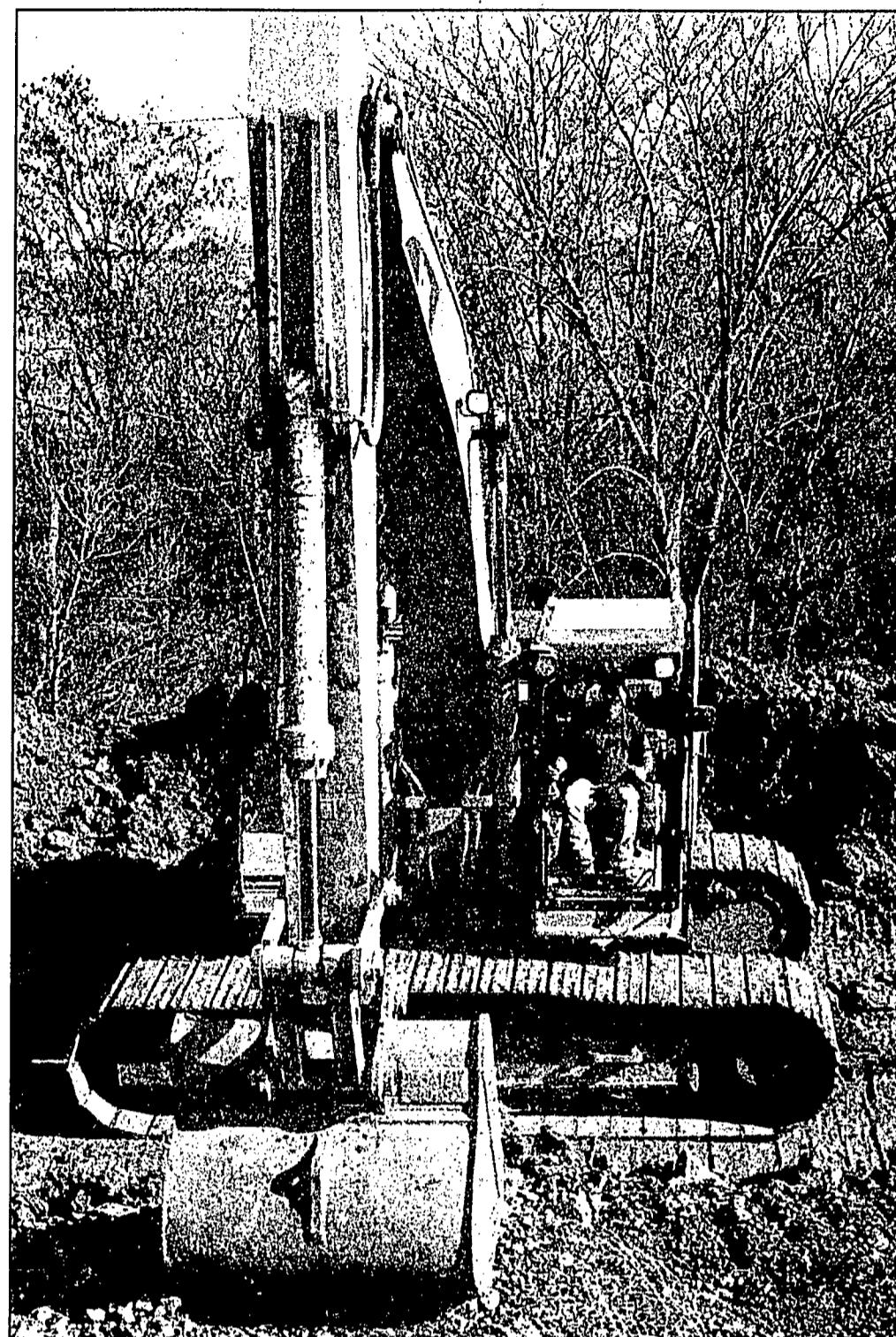
A Skidmore man was sentenced to life imprisonment Tuesday for the death of his girlfriend.

Gregory Dragoo, 27, received the maximum sentence for a conviction of murder in the second degree.

Peek-a-boo



One-year-old Derrick Shields makes his way up the chain ladder Tuesday afternoon at Beal Park. According to the National Weather Service, favorable weather in the upper 60s and 70s will prevail throughout the week.



Skidmore resident Todd Lemon works on the foundation of a bridge on Highway 71 Tuesday. Despite some delays, construction crews are working intensely on the highway project before the onset of winter.

City Council, residents discuss local recycling

By TRISHA THOMPSON
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

The Maryville City Council answered questions and presented information regarding the local recycling center at a public hearing Thursday.

Revenue has diminished because of decreased markets for recyclable materials and less tonnage being brought to the center, City Manager Matt Chesnut said.

"What you are hearing tonight is that it's not just black and white," Mayor Mike Thompson said. "There's a lot of issues right now that impact solid waste in our community, always has been, and it's in harm's way and I'd say that's a fair assessment."

The Council discussed the pros and cons of closing the recycling center.

"The obvious reason is recycling is an ecologically and environmentally responsible thing and at some point it needs to be determined who has to offer that service," Chesnut said.

On the flip side, expenses and operating costs of the recycling center far outweigh any revenue generated from the sale of recyclables, Chesnut said.

"Where do we meet in the

middle?" Thompson asked. "I don't know the answer myself, other than I know the figures are not good."

The cost is approximately \$170 per ton to handle recyclables and the amount of tonnage has decreased 230 tons during the past two years.

"We knew it wasn't going to pay for itself, but it's really not helping itself right now," Chesnut said.

Operating costs at the center have been reduced in past years to combat the increasing loss in revenue to no avail.

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Ceremony planned to honor veterans

By KARA SWINK
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Veterans Day acknowledges those who sacrificed their lives for our country and for those who are serving in the armed forces.

Veterans will gather at 11 a.m. Monday on the Nodaway County Courthouse lawn to show respect.

The American Legion Post 100, VFW Post 442 and their auxiliaries sponsor the annual ceremony. Master of ceremonies Leon F. Miller, has been organizing the day for about 20 years.

Local resident Robert Colville will be speaking about the events of Sept. 11. Colville entered the Navy Flight Training program in 1954 and was commissioned as an Ensign. He retired in 1975 with a rank of Commander. He fought during Vietnam, earning multiple awards of the Air Medal and has lived in the Maryville area since his retirement.

"Veterans Day is a very important holiday," Colville said. "We don't have any generations who haven't been affected in some way."

Colville was selected by the veterans to speak because he is respected for his service during the Vietnam War. The legion thought

he represented the veterans well, Miller said.

The ceremony will consist of an opening song played by the Maryville High School band, the placement of the memorial wreath by a VFW Auxiliary Unit 442 member and a salute to Veterans. Past Commander Kenneth Still will command the firing squad for its traditional salute and the tradition of the retirement of colors will be performed by the Color Guard.

Ross Fulton, First United Methodist Church pastor, will perform the invocation and benediction and acknowledgments will be read by Miller.

After the ceremony, 27 Veterans of WWII who served between the dates of Dec. 6, 1941 and Dec. 31, 1945 will be honored with certificates of duty and honor.

The local Veterans Day program usually has a turnout of 125 to 175 people, but this year the legion expects a larger attendance.

"We are hoping for a record turnout," Colville said. "The events of Sept. 11 have really captured people's attention."

The ceremony will also be broadcast by KNIM radio.

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Man carries weapons at airport, arrest made

By TRISHA THOMPSON
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Carrying seven knives, a can of mace and a stun gun, a man passed through security checkpoints at the O'Hare International Airport in Chicago Saturday and continued to his departure gate unscathed.

Subash Bahadur Gurung, 27, was identified as a potential security risk when he checked in because he walked up to a ticket counter and purchased a one-way ticket to Omaha with cash. However, the information was not shared with screeners at the passenger checkpoint, which is a Federal Aviation Administration and airline procedure.

United officials said because Gurung had been selected for passenger profiling, his name was called out over the intercom at the departure gate for additional screening, but Gurung did not respond.

The flight left without him, although his two checked bags stayed on the plane. A later search of the bags revealed two large knives with blades of 6 to 7 inches long, authorities said.

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Part of the official investigation will include looking at whether screeners errors or mechanical malfunctions in the X-ray machinery were responsible for the unnoticed weapons.

An FBI source said three of the eight screeners suspended following the breach at O'Hare have criminal records and one is a suspected gang member. All are employed by Argenbright Security, which has a contract with United Airlines to staff the checkpoints at O'Hare.

Argenbright was found guilty last year of failing to check the backgrounds of its employees for criminal records. Last month, Argenbright was charged with continuing to hire people with criminal records to work at 14 U.S. airports, despite having told court officials that it was complying with the law.

The House and Senate remain sharply divided over this issue: The Senate approved an airport security bill that would make all screeners federal employees last month. On the other hand, the House version voted on last week would allow private firms to perform security under federal supervision.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta called the security malfunction a "case of dramatic dimensions" and the incident prompted him to call a meeting with chief executives of the nation's airlines to discuss the continued problems with airport security.

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Bar violations

Compliance checks reveal violations by local bars, establishments need to take more responsibility

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Every college town has its problems — parking, union food and rising tuition costs. And of course, there's always alcohol and drinking. Maryville has its own unique situation, however. The age to enter a bar is 19, making underage drinking harder to monitor and control.

Maryville Public Safety recently conducted several compliance checks and issued violations to five bars. These violations included minor in possession arrests, under 19 violations and selling violations.

A violation can result in a fine ranging from \$200 to \$500.

Along with fines, Public Safety also uses the threat of shutting a bar down to encourage bar owners and employees to keep a strict watch over who is in their establishment and who is drinking. However, there is no set number of violations allowed before a bar is shut down. One bar could have 10 violations and never get closed while another could get five and be closed for weeks.

Underage drinking has always been a problem and countless ways of stopping it have been proposed. The bottom line is that before new laws or ordinances will do any good, existing rules need to be enforced. Public Safety should stay consistent when issuing violations. There should be a limit to how many violations an establishment can receive before more drastic action, such as closing the bar down, is taken. There needs to be a consistent standard for each establishment.

The responsibility is not solely that of Public Safety though. The bars also need to hold themselves accountable for their actions. Security needs to be tighter, bouncers should check identification closer and bartenders have got to pay attention to whom they are selling a beer.

Underage drinking is not going to go away, but stricter measures could curtail it to an acceptable level.

NATIONAL VIEW

Personal Web pages

Raising the eternal child

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(U-WIRE) — Anyone who has spent even a modest amount of time on the Internet will agree that the somewhat bizarre genre of the personal Web page has become a standard in self-expression and in communication with the world.

People's online pages cover the spectrum from the boring to the bizarre, and their purposes are just as diverse.

The biggest question that anyone who reads these sites will be left asking is why? What would motivate someone to put his or her life online? High school courses in computers are increasingly focusing on the Internet, and some Web pages seem to have emerged from that basis. But not everyone took World of Computers as their grade 11 elective — there must be other reasons. Maybe it's vanity; maybe it's a simple desire to establish contact with other people or maybe it's a message they have for the world.

Peter Pan's homepage (<http://www.pixyland.org/peterpan/index.html>) is a perfect example of the personal Web page as a 'vanity' Web page. It's the 'home on the web' of Randy Constan, who calls himself a "Guitarist, Inventor, Engineer, [and] Eternal Child," and is devoted to his life, personality and interests.

The Eternal Child indeed — at 47 years old, Constan doesn't just admire or have an interest in Peter Pan. He actually thinks he is Peter Pan. The site is complete with theme music from the Disney movie, somewhat scandalous pictures of Constan dressed in a wide array of costumes (many of them pink and frilly), and a lengthy opening text in which the author explores his own life philosophy.

The motivation for Constan's page is stated loud and clear, "this page is intended to reach out to other like-minded souls, potential new friends, and others who believe in diversity, while having some fun."

Well, that's innocuous enough. He goes on to admit that when he began his Web site, he was looking for something else as well. That's right, you guessed it, Tinkerbell!

And then there's Super Greg (<http://www.supergreg.com>). Accompanied by little explanatory text and few welcoming words, Super Greg, a DJ, announces himself to the world photographically. His page consists of an array of pictures of himself and what we can assume to be friends of his, and includes a 30-second clip of a 'classic performance' by the man himself, entitled "Da Number One."

Super Greg is a little less clear on the motivation behind his Web site, though he does announce his belief in the Super Greg concept, and his page is just his way of sharing it with "all home boys and home chicks."

But it seems that there's no end in sight to this journey, mainly because there's no end to the number of sites. Who is Tommy (<http://www.dpf.com/boyslife.html>)? And why is he online dressed as a baby and lying in a crib, when he appears to be at least 35 years old? "To say 'I love diapers' is certainly true," he advises visitors, "but that tells you very little about the 'real' me who lives inside those diapers."

Pages like these are a reminder that many of these sites have little to do with the person behind them, and rather tend to be collections of rants, raves, photographs and other oddities. Their sites are provocative and sometimes disturbing in their views, which implies a desire to generate attention and response, whether positive or negative.

It appears that people's specific motivations for putting their lives online are just as diverse as the pages and the people themselves. For these people, the World Wide Web has provided an outlet for their self-expression. They all have something to say, and the Internet has given them a golden opportunity. Of course, the crucial question remains; is anyone listening?

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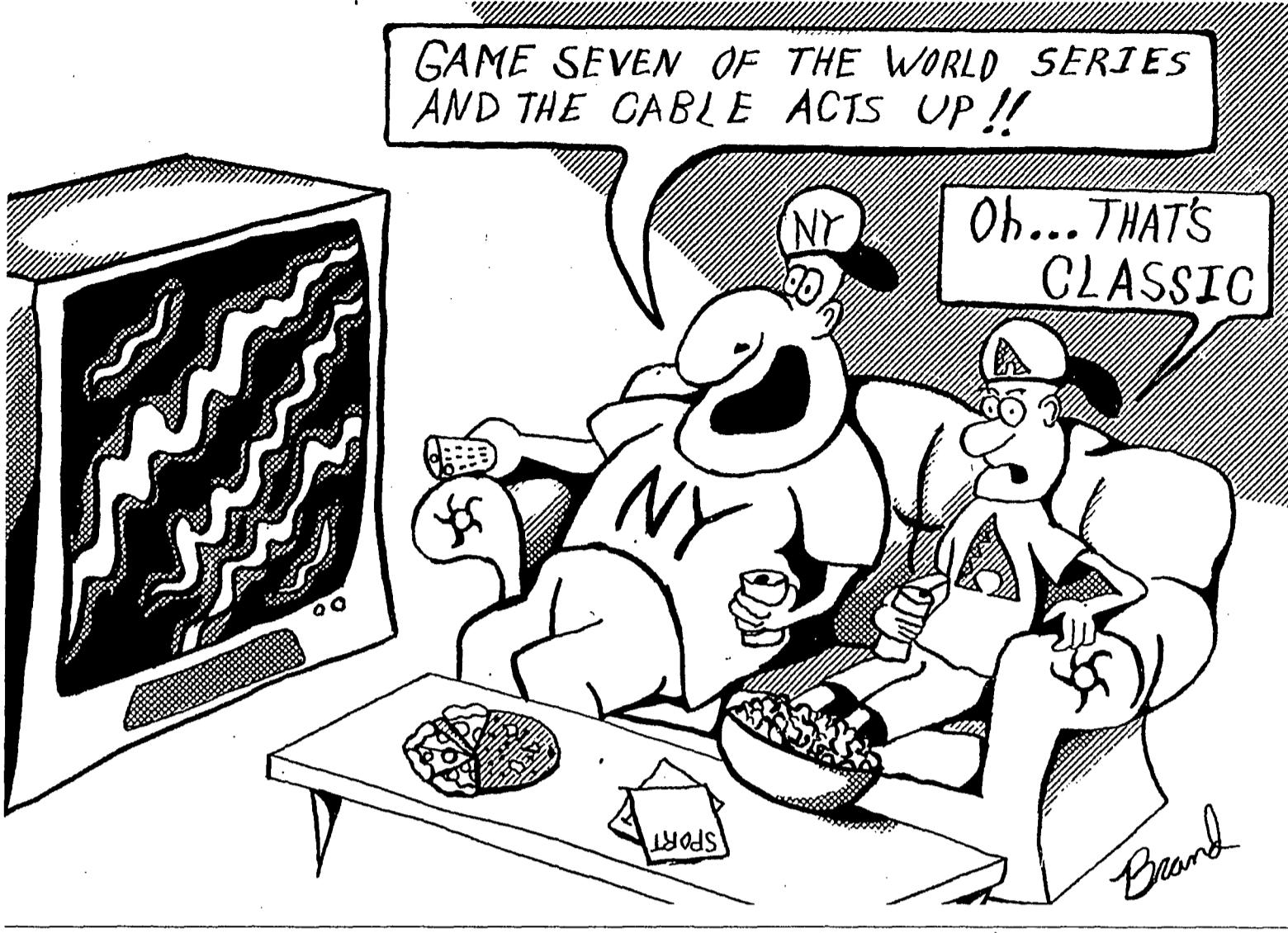
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MY VIEW

Skewed information hits airwaves



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This time, what you may not know can hurt you.

Some American media outlets have self-imposed a firewall that blocks messages about the "war on terrorism" they have deemed inappropriate or not newsworthy.

Now, more than ever, Americans should question what they hear or read in some of the most formally credible news outlets.

Vital information about America's action against terrorism, which we as citizens of the United States should be guaranteed, is being skewed, tainted or not reported at all. Under the guise of a national security threat, news outlets are failing to accurately report information on things such as the number of casualties in Afghanistan or the new developments in the anthrax scare; however, this information does not pose a threat to our security and is being widely reported in the rest of the world.

For example, on October 28, the *Guardian* newspaper in London reported, "Neo-Nazi extremists within

the United States are behind the deadly wave of anthrax attacks against America, according to latest briefings from the security services and Justice Department." Yet Americans are still led to believe anthrax is a foreign terrorist ploy.

While it is troublesome that other countries know more about this war than we do, a bigger threat has emerged in that one of the most powerful news outlets in the world is attempting to shade the war a different color.

According to *The Washington Post*, CNN chair Walter Isaacson told his staff it would be "perverse" to report civilian casualties in Afghanistan.

Instead, it was recommended that CNN reporters not "forget it is that country's leaders who are responsible for the situation Afghanistan is in now."

Rick Davis, head of standards and practices, suggested news anchors continually remind viewers that the military actions are in response to the terrorist attacks that killed 5,000 people.

According to *The New York Times*,

CNN has "quickly switched to the rubble of the World Trade Center" after showing images of the destruction in Afghanistan.

Perhaps CNN's attempts at propaganda are devious ways to uphold the overriding sense of American pride or to reduce guilty feelings in causing more innocent deaths.

However, it is important that we do not hide behind this propaganda and pretend it validates any and all of our actions we take while the rest of the world knows better.

While we are trying to root out terrorism across the ocean, we may need to battle infoterrorism in our own country.

Do not let censorship of information become an accepted part of the American media. Seek out real information, whether through the Internet, or other countries' media.

In other words, refuse to let yourself be programmed.

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YOUR VIEW

Do you think the Bearcat football team's season has been a disappointment?



"Yes. These past three games have been disappointing. It's like they lost their killer instinct."

Jason Hughes
Business
management major



"At least the band is good."

Nicholas Ross
Music education
major



"Yes, it is really disappointing because our team is not living up to their potential."

Sondra Nickerson
Pre-medicine major



"Yes, I am disappointed because they waited until the last minute of the game to run the ball."

Veronica Jones
Public relations major



"My mom always told me that if I don't have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all."

Paul Houfek
Deciding major

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

■ New Nodaway Humane Society Sandwich and Salad Luncheon, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., First Christian Church
■ Nodaway County 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Center
■ Maryville Women's Aglow Lighthouse, 7 p.m., Public Library
■ "Medea," 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

MONDAY

■ 4-H Winter Lock-in, First Christian Church
■ Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m., First Baptist Church
■ Chinese Student Association Moon Festival Dinner, 6:30 p.m., The Mandarin
■ "Medea," 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center
■ AA Meeting, 8 p.m., Conception Abbey

TUESDAY

■ Geography Awareness Week
■ Focus on Kids Program, 4 p.m. or 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room
■ Encore: Omaha Symphony, 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

■ Geography Awareness Week
■ AA Meeting, 6 p.m., Margaret Davidson Square
■ Nodaway County University Outreach & Extension Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex
■ "Improv A La Mode," 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Studio

■ 4-H Winter Lock-in, First Christian Church
■ Anointing of the Sick, 6 p.m. mass, St. Gregory's
■ Fall Clean-up Day, 9 a.m.-noon, First Presbyterian Church
■ "Medea," 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

WEDNESDAY

■ Geography Awareness Week
■ AA Meeting, 6 p.m., Margaret Davidson Square
■ Nodaway County University Outreach & Extension Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex
■ "Improv A La Mode," 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Studio
■ Fourth installment due

■ Veterans Day
■ Geography Awareness Week
■ Pancake Breakfast, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Newman Center
■ Theater: "Medea," 7 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center
■ Cub Scouts Meeting, 4 p.m., United Methodist Church
■ Yoga Class, 4 p.m.-5 p.m., First Presbyterian Church

THURSDAY

■ Geography Awareness Week
■ AA Meeting, 6 p.m., Margaret Davidson Square
■ Focus on Kids Program, 4 p.m. or 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room
■ Band Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Student Union Ballroom
■ "Improv A La Mode," 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Studio
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Oct. 26

■ Fire units assisted a Nodaway County Ambulance with a vehicle accident at Business and Bypass 71.

Oct. 29

■ Fire units responded to a structure fire in the 100 block of North Davis. The fire had been extinguished upon arrival.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that another female in the 900 block of North Buchanan had assaulted her.

■ Jeremiah L. Parker, 24, Maryville, was east on West First. Doris L. Cummins, 87, Maryville, was traveling west on West First. Cummins entered Parker's lane while making a left turn. Parker struck Cummins.

Oct. 30
■ An officer received a report from a business in the 1200 block of South Main that a female individual had passed a forged check.

Oct. 31
■ An officer served a Scott County warrant on Michael J. Hall, 45, Braddyville, Iowa, for obstruction. He was transported to Nodaway County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her wallet had been lost or stolen.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville business in the 1200 block of South Main that a male individual had taken items from the store without paying for them.

■ An officer served a Buchanan County warrant on Jason D. Richardson, 29, Elwood, Kan., for non-support. He was issued a summons for warrant and released after

posting bond.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had taken his bike from the 700 block of North Mulberry.

■ An officer conducted an alcohol compliance check in the 1600 block of South Main. Jennifer M. Kleeschulte, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for sale of alcohol to a minor.

Nov. 1
■ While on patrol, an officer observed a male individual being escorted out of a business in the 400 block of North Buchanan. Robert E. Cardwell, 20, Maryville, was issued summonses for disorderly conduct and failure to comply.

■ While on patrol in the 300 block of North Market, an officer observed a male individual who appeared to be under the age of 21. James S. Sterling, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for minor in possession.

■ An officer received a report of a loud party in the 1100 block of College Avenue. Upon arrival, Daniel L. Bahrenburg, 19, Maryville, was issued a summons for minor in possession.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had taken a yard decoration from his yard in the 600 block of North Mulberry.

■ Todd J. Fleischmann, Maryville, was parked in the 1600 block of North Grand. Andrew C. Spire, 29, Maryville, was turning onto North Grand from West 16th, when a strap securing metal forms on the back of his vehicle broke, dropping the forms onto Fleischmann.

■ Doris J. Schooler, 81, Fairfax, was pulling out of a private drive onto South Main. Marilyn Glidden, 48, Hopkins, was traveling north on

South Main. Schooler struck Glidden.

Nov. 2

■ An officer observed a male individual running behind a building in the 1100 block of South Main. Clinton G. Hibbs, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for minor in possession.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that his vehicle had been damaged while parked in the 1600 block of South Main.

■ An officer received a report of a peace disturbance in the 500 block of West Fourth. Upon arrival, Mikaela P. Koile, 20, Maryville, and Ginny L. Francis, 20, Maryville, were issued summonses for possession of minor in possession.

■ Officers received a report of a loud party in the 400 block of North Walnut. Upon arrival, David C. Begley, 19, Maryville, was issued a summons for minor in possession.

■ Elizabeth S. Neff, 62, Graham, was eastbound in the intersection of First and Buchanan. Elizabeth S. Grame, 21, Maryville, was southbound in the 100 block of North Buchanan. Grame entered the intersection and struck Neff. Grame was issued a citation for failure to stop at a posted stop sign.

■ Vincent P. Weiderholt, 16, Maryville, was traveling west in the 400 block of West Fourth. Mary Parravina was parked in the 400 block of West Fourth. Weiderholt struck Parravina. Weiderholt was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ James H. Simpson, Maryville, was parked in the parking lot in the 800 block of North Fillmore, when his vehicle rolled backward down the hill striking two signs.

Nov. 3

■ Matther A. Wiederholt, 19,

Stanberry, was pulling out of a parking lot onto South Main. Phillip H. Spire, 76, Maryville, was pulling out of another parking lot onto South Main. Spire struck Wiederholt.

■ Carolyn M. Puckett, 59, Maryville, and Bryan K. Arnold, 25, Maryville, were stopped at the stop light at South Main and South Avenue. Puckett struck Arnold.

■ An officer served two warrants from Buchanan and Andrew counties on Alvin J. Goehring, 22, Maryville. During a search incident to arrest, a substance believed to be marijuana was found. He was issued summonses for possession of 35 grams of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was transported to Nodaway County Jail where he is being held for Buchanan and Andrew counties.

■ While on patrol in the 400 block of West Fifth, an officer observed a male individual tampering with a parked patrol vehicle. Kurtis A. Freeman, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for tampering with a motor vehicle.

■ Officers received a report of an intoxicated driver on South Main. An officer observed the vehicle in the 300 block of North Market. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Scoot A. Sayles, 38, Theresa, Wis. While speaking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform some field sobriety tests, which he refused to complete. He was arrested for DWI after he refused to complete a test of his blood alcohol content.

■ While responding to another call, an officer observed that a door had been damaged at the corner of Fifth and Fillmore.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that his vehicle had been damaged while parked in the 600 block of North Fillmore.

Senior time



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Senior mid-fielder Laura Hampton (right) and the other seniors were honored during halftime of Sunday's match against Missouri Southern State College. The Bearcats finished with a 2-1 win in overtime against the Lions.

■ A Hopkins individual reported property damage to their vehicle.

Oct. 31
■ A Maryville individual reported property damage to a vehicle.

Nov. 1
■ A Hopkins individual reported a theft of her phone.

Nov. 2
■ Michael W. Moyer, 18, Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for theft of a firearm. He was later released on bond.

■ A Burlington Junction individual reported damage to her mailbox.

Nov. 3
■ Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in Parnell. After investigation, Gary J. Spire, 47, was arrested for domestic assault. He was also arrested on a probation and parole warrant.

Nov. 4
■ Robert W. Duchien, 24, Maryville, was arrested for driving while intoxicated. He was released after being held for the mandatory detox.

Nov. 5
■ A Maryville individual reported property damage to his garage.

■ A theft was reported from the Ravenwood/Parnell area.

DEATHS

Helen Marie Ward
Helen Ward, 78, Skidmore, died Oct. 30, at her home in Skidmore. She was born July 21, 1923, to John and Nora Godsey in Pickering.

She is survived by one son, Wesley; one daughter, Gail Morris; one brother, Glenn Godsey; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 2 at Burr Oak Methodist Church in Skidmore. Burial was at Burr Oak Cemetery in Skidmore.

SHERIFF

Oct. 30
■ Nicholas J. Poptanycz, 23, Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear.

■ A Burlington Junction individual reported vandalism to his vehicle.

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Wanted: Single Lifestyle

For SM and SF living single has its pros and cons



Assistant Professor of Political Science Kevin Buterbaugh thinks it is hard to be single in a town the size of Maryville. After this year, he plans to move to a bigger city that offers more social selections.

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MANAGING EDITOR

By ANN HARMAN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Being single and living alone can be a difficult position in life. But living in a small town like Maryville; not feeling connected or not having the social opportunities that a bigger city might offer, can make it seem overwhelming and perhaps lonely.

According to USA Today, the 2000 census shows that for the first time there are more single households than traditional families.

The commonality among those living single is that they are absorbed in their careers either by choice or because there is simply nothing else to do.

Kevin Buterbaugh, 34, assistant professor of political science, was skeptical of the social life in Maryville when he first accepted the position seven years ago.

"I almost didn't take the job because of what the town looked like," Buterbaugh said. "If I found the right person, I wouldn't be single. It's very hard to find people in this town."

While Buterbaugh sometimes feels excluded from the social realm of Maryville because his interests do not fit with those of other Maryville residents, it has not kept him from doing what he enjoys.

"I travel a lot," Buterbaugh said. "I try to get out of Maryville as often as I can. I do a lot of driving and I do a lot of flying. I have friends around the world so I just drive around and go see them."

Although Buterbaugh would enjoy being in a serious relationship with the right person, getting married is not necessarily something he has planned for the near future. He enjoys the freedoms that come along with being single and not having to worry about someone else's schedule.

"Kids are expensive, which means I have more disposable income," Buterbaugh said. "If I feel like going out to eat and dropping 70 bucks on myself, from time to time I can usually do that. I don't have any dependents. I don't have to worry about putting somebody through college, so that's an advantage."

Some people agree with Buterbaugh's claims about Maryville not offering the greatest socializing opportunities for single people. In a town that has strong family histories and close ties, trying to break in and feel a sense of connection is difficult, Buterbaugh said.

But for people like Amy Benson, 30, assistant professor of English, getting involved and meeting people was not hard — with a little help from a friend.

"I was (concerned) in terms of quality of life in a certain way, but I wasn't concerned in terms of meeting people necessarily just because I had a friend that I was close to," Benson said.

Just like she was not worried about meeting people, Benson did not come expecting to find someone to "settle down" with and does not feel pressure to marry.

"It's just not on my agenda, so I don't notice it as much as other people who might really care about that," Benson said. "There aren't a lot of opportunities to meet someone, but I wasn't necessarily looking."

Even when social activities are slow, Benson rarely finds herself bored or lonely. Having just bought a house, she spends a lot of time fixing it up and learning painting techniques.

And, of course, there is always writing.

"Writing has just always been incredibly important to me," Benson said. "I wouldn't know, really, how to make sense of the world, how to live in the world if I wasn't writing, if I wasn't engaging with it in that way."

Like Buterbaugh, Benson knew before accepting a position at Northwest that Maryville is a small town with close-knit people and finding the right person might be difficult. She chose to come here anyway to further her career and establish herself as a writer.

"I felt more unsettled in my job process than I did in my personal life because I always had really good friends," Benson said. "I guess I felt more like I had to establish myself or get that going."

Benson and Buterbaugh both grew up in relatively large cities, Benson in Detroit and Buterbaugh in Kansas City, Mo. They agree Maryville is a good place to raise a family and feel secure, but proximity to larger, more accessible places is important.

Buterbaugh has decided to leave Maryville, however, and is planning to move to a city that offers more social selections.

"If I was Catholic I know that if I died I'd go straight to heaven 'cause I already served my time in Purgatory," Buterbaugh said. "I want to be in a big city. I like the diversity of people, things to do. And even if you can't find anybody at least you can go to see a variety of different movies."

However, Benson thinks she has established herself and would find it difficult to pick up and move.

"I would have a hard time giving up what I have here," Benson said.

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Assistant Professor of English Amy Benson enjoys being single in Maryville. She uses her free time for writing, fixing up her new house and spending time with friends.

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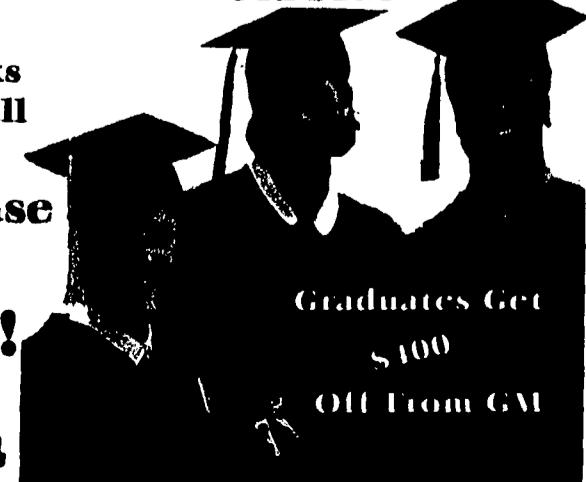
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Third time not a charm

Rival Griffons win in overtime, 'Cats lose fourth-quarter lead for third consecutive week

By BILL KNUST
SPORTS EDITOR

For the third week in a row Northwest suffered a come-from-behind defeat — a trademark that Bearcat football has terrorized opposing teams with during the past six years.

Whether it is bad karma or bad luck, heated-rival Missouri Western State College defeated the 'Cats 37-30 Saturday when Western sophomore defensive back Desmond Polk intercepted junior quarterback John McMenamin's pass in overtime.

It took just six plays for the Griffons to hit paydirt in overtime. Senior quarterback Kasey Waterman's pass to junior receiver Darwin Pitts from 12 yards out, sent the Western crowd into a frenzy and forced Northwest to answer, which it could not do.

From the outset, it looked like a typical Missouri Western-Northwest football game. The 'Cats jumped out to a 20-7 lead early and waited for the Griffons to fold.

Yet the Griffons did not let up and scored a touchdown with 2:26 left in regulation, putting them within three points of the 'Cats' lead.

All Northwest had to do was pick up a couple first downs and run out the clock. But in a scene straight from the 'Cats' loss to Central Missouri State, senior running back Ryan Hackett fumbled a toss sweep from McMenamin, and Western recovered the ball at the Northwest 49-yard-line.

That play led to a 17-yard field goal by the Griffons' Dan Fowler, which tied the score with 12 seconds in regulation.

"Fortunately we kept them out of the end zone at that point," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "If we are going to give it away, we are going to give it away, and that's what we have done the last two ballgames. I don't know what to say, it was slipping away, but you can't do much about it."

After the second half opened with two three-and-outs from each team, junior defensive end Mike Sunderman recovered a Waterman fumble to put the 'Cats at the Western 38-yard-line with 8:18 left in the third quarter.

On Northwest's second play of the ensuing drive, McMenamin found Jordan for 21 yards. Two plays later he found redshirt freshman Adam Otte for 10 yards. On the next play, McMenamin and Otte connected from 11 yards out for a touchdown and a 27-7 lead.

But Western began its comeback on the next drive, taking the ball 79 yards in 2:50 and cutting the lead to 14 points, 27-13, on Waterman's pass to junior receiver Dan Ziesel.

The Griffons drew closer early in the fourth quarter as sophomore running back Derrick Pitts rushed in from four yards out to cut Northwest's lead to seven, 27-20.

Five minutes later Ibarra gave the 'Cats a 30-20 lead with a 43-yard field goal, but that would be the end of Northwest's scoring.

Northwest got its first touchdown of the day from redshirt freshman receiver Pat Jordan when McMenamin found Jordan on a hitch route from 18 yards out. Jordan caught the ball, shook off a defender and went unscathed the rest of the way.

Jordan finished the day with two touchdowns and six catches for 126 yards, and he has established himself lately in practice, head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

"Pat's a guy that I said a couple of weeks ago had been really performing well in practice and we just kind of look for him to start doing more in games," Tjeerdsma said.

Defensively, senior strong safety Tony Sly picked off two passes Saturday, giving him five interceptions in two games. But Sly wanted the win more.

"It hurts to lose three in a row, I really don't have any words to explain what has happened these past three weeks," Sly said.

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PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Senior running back Ryan Hackett battles Missouri Western defensive back Tyreec Whyte for the ball during the Bearcats' 37-30 overtime loss to the Griffons. Northwest lost its third straight game, including two losses at home, while falling to 6-4 on the year. Northwest will conclude its season next week at home against Emporia State University. LOOK TO 2B FOR MORE.

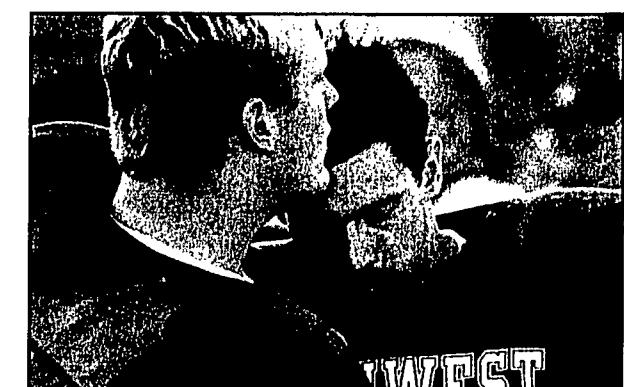
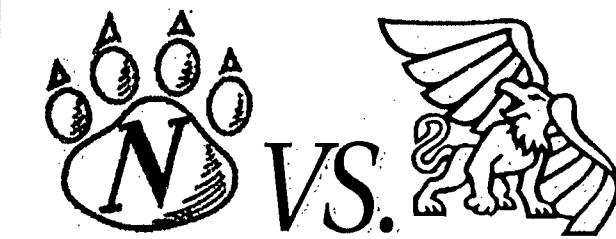


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Junior tight end Chris Burke consoles senior defensive back Phillip Seeman after Northwest's 37-30 overtime loss to Missouri Western Saturday. The Griffons scored first in overtime and then intercepted a John McMenamin pass for the win.



Northwest/Mo. Western Scoring Summary

Quarters	Details	Quarter				Final
		1	2	3	4	
Mo. Western	7	0	6	3	37	
Northwest	17	3	7	17	30	
Quarters						MW - NW
1st	09:18 NW	Jordan, Pat 18 yd pass from McMenamin, John (Ibarra, Eddie kick)	11 plays, 90 yards, TOP 5:42			0 - 7
	07:41 MW	Evans, Jerris 60 yd pass from Waterman, Kasey (Fowler, Dan kick)	4 plays, 80 yards, TOP 1:37			7 - 7
	01:56 NW	Ibarra, Eddie 27 yd FG	11 plays, 75 yards, TOP 5:45			7 - 10
	01:10 NW	Jordan, Pat 30 yd pass from McMenamin, John (Ibarra, Eddie kick)	2 plays, 50 yards, TOP 0:28			7 - 17
2nd	09:03 NW	Ibarra, Eddie 43 yd FG	8 plays, 24 yards, TOP 3:17			7 - 20
3rd	06:21 NW	Otte, Adam 11 yd pass from McMenamin, John (Ibarra, Eddie kick)	5 plays, 38 yards, TOP 1:57			7 - 27
	03:22 MW	Ziesel, Adam 32 yd pass from Waterman, Kasey (Fowler, Dan kick blocked)	9 plays, 70 yards, TOP 3:45			13 - 27
4th	13:28 MW	Pitts, Derrick 4 yd run (Fowler, Dan kick)	7 plays, 79 yards, TOP 2:59			20 - 27
	08:06 NW	Ibarra, Eddie 43 yd FG	7 plays, 28 yards, TOP 3:23			20 - 30
	02:28 MW	Ziesel, Adam 37 yd pass from Waterman, Kasey (Fowler, Dan kick)	7 plays, 79 yards, TOP 1:59			27 - 30
	00:12 MW	Fowler, Dan 17 yd FG	10 plays, 48 yards, TOP 1:20			30 - 30
	15:00 MW	Pitts, Darwin 12 yd pass from Waterman, Kasey (Fowler, Dan kick)	9 plays, 25 yards, TOP 0:12			37 - 30



PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Bearcat senior Laura Hampton gets an elbow to the face as she fights for the ball with Missouri Southern forward Sarah Sneed. The 'Cats pulled out a 2-1 win in double overtime and finished their season with a 6-11-1 overall record.

Northwest volleyball

Spikers close season with loss against MIAA-rival Mo. West

By ASHLEE ERWIN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Although injuries have hampered the season, the Northwest volleyball team came onto the court Wednesday night with a complete team, looking to end the season with a win over Missouri Western State College.

However, the Griffons dropped the 'Cats in four matches as the game marked the final career performances of seniors Molly Driftmier, Krista Newman and Julie Brophy, who have played three seasons together at Northwest.

There has been a strong bond between the seniors, Brophy said.

"We were all used to playing next to each other and we knew what the other person was going to do," Brophy said. "It made it easier playing together for three years, and I'll miss that unity."

Each senior made significant contributions to the volleyball program and will be missed, head coach Sarah Pelster said.

"Each have played during their career here, a very different role for us," Pelster said. "It's always hard to replace seniors with the amount of playing time and experience they have on the team."

Even with the experience, persistent injuries kept the team from playing as a whole for most of the season.

"There has probably only been a couple of games everybody has been healthy," Driftmier said. "We've had some nagging injuries here and there and not just one or two people all the time. It kind of swept through the entire team."

This situation created a juggling act for Pelster.

"With the injuries, there is really not a whole lot you can do as a coach," Pelster said. "You just have to keep adjusting with what players you have healthy in order to try to put together a team that can help in the positions that we don't have depth in."

Several young team members saw playing time as a result of the injuries, and Pelster hopes to build on that experience for next season.

Driftmier agreed that while this was not the perfect season, there is still time for the younger members to improve.

"You never know what to expect," Driftmier said. "This isn't an ideal senior season by any means, but I'm not disappointed in anything. We've given our all and pushed hard. We're a young team, and hopefully they can come out strong next year and have a winning season."

Look to missourianonline.com for a complete wrap-up of Wednesday night's Northwest volleyball game.

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Northwest soccer

'Cats' season ends on high note

By MATT KENNEDY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Every time head soccer coach Joann Wolf's father, Joel, has visited Maryville, the 'Cats have won their next game.

Joel Wolf's visit to Northwest last week brought more luck than usual.

Northwest was able to get two victories over the weekend against the Southwest Baptist University Lions and the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners in their final matches of the season.

"From now on, I'm going to get my father up here for every home game," Wolf said.

The 'Cats won their final match of the year Sunday against the Miners in double overtime, 2-1.

Sophomore Sarah Wallace gave the 'Cats an early lead 25 minutes into the first half, but the Miners tied the game early in the second half.

Regulation play ended with a 1-1 tie, as did the first overtime.

However, five minutes into the second overtime, freshman backup goalkeeper Danielle Lawless proved her worth on offense as well as defense as she scored the game-winning goal.

Senior goalkeeper Kathie Leach made seven saves in the victory.

The 'Cats ended a four-game losing streak Saturday as they shutout the Lions in a 4-0 match.

After sophomore Jill Anderson scored the first goal mid-way through the first half, the score remained 1-0

LINE SCORE	1	2	OT	OT	F
Northwest	1	0	0	1	2
UM-Rolla	0	1	0	0	1

GOALS
2530 - NW, Sarah Wallace (5)
Assist: Renee Judd
52:11 - UMR, Lauren Wilkinson
106:49 - NW, Danielle Lawless (1)
Assist: Sarah Wallace

until there were eight minutes left in regulation.

The 'Cats then caught fire as freshman Emily Winter, sophomore Christine Collins and Wallace all scored goals to end the game 4-0.

Leach made four saves in the match, setting a new Bearcat record for number of shutouts in a season at four.

Wolf was extremely pleased with the 'Cats' performance in their last two matches of the season.

"We played with a lot of emotion, played together as a team and had a great time," Wolf said. "It is a great way to end the season."

The 'Cats, only in their third year, finished the season with a 6-11-1 overall record, 4-7-1 in the MIAA.

"We were a little inconsistent over the season, but we really worked well together," Wolf said. "We won as a team and we lost as a team without falling apart. Now we are going to revamp, look at next year, and go from there."

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'Cats looking to finish season with victory

By BILL KNUST
SPORTS EDITOR

The Bearcats are looking to put behind the pain of the last three games with a win to end their season on Senior Day.

Sixteen seniors will play their final home game Saturday against the Emporia State University Hornets. A win would give Northwest a 7-4 record, while a loss would drop them to 6-5, their worst record since 1995.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said it is important to get a win and get the team back on the right track.

"If we don't win this one, then we will have the entire off-season, spring and summer to think about it," Tjeerdsma said.

"If we win this one, 7-4 sounds a heck of a lot better than 6-5. We will be ready to play. I think the kids have figured out this is it."

Senior center Curt Lessman said it is important to go out with a win on what will be an emotional Senior Day.

"This is basically all my years of football wrapped into one last game," Lessman said. "It will be the last time my parents can see me play and I have just a bunch of family coming in. It will be really important."

This year's Senior Day will have a different feel, Tjeerdsma said.

"It is the first time in six years that we know this is going to be our final game," Tjeerdsma said.

The Bearcats will be facing an Emporia team that has the ability to pull off the upset or fall at the Bearcats feet.

Emporia beat Truman State earlier this year to hand the Bulldogs



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Series history

Northwest leads the series with Emporia State 13-2. The only Bearcat losses came in 1994 and 1965.

Tony tops the chart

Strong safety Tony Sly has five interceptions in the past two games. That puts him at the top of the MIAA interception list with 0.6 per game.

Rector rules

Barring unforeseen circumstances, wide receiver Jamaica Rector should finish his first season of collegiate football as the MIAA's leader in receptions per game (6.78), receiving yards per game (120.1) and all-purpose yards per game (181.6). Rector is out for the season with a knee injury, but has big-leads in those categories.

Oh, so close

Northwest lost its fourth game of the season last week. In each of the Bearcats' four losses, the Bearcats have been ahead or tied in the fourth quarter. The average margin of defeat in those four losses is three points, including a seven-point overtime loss last week.

their only loss of the season, yet the Hornets lost to 1-6 Missouri Southern last week.

Emporia will present the Bearcat defense with an option attack and a balanced passing game.

Junior quarterback Kelton Copeland leads the Hornets. He has thrown for 973 yards and five touchdowns on the year and has completed 47.7 percent of his passes. Sophomore running back Shon Wells leads the rushing attack for Emporia, carrying the ball 101 times this year for 588 yards and six touchdowns.

While the Emporia offense has produced, the defense is the strong point of the team, Tjeerdsma said.

"They will get after you pretty good," Tjeerdsma said. "We have to get some offensive production against them. We have been able to score points on everyone and we'll have to continue to do that. Last week, we got 30 on Missouri Western and they were giving up 13 per game. We will probably have to score quite a few points again this week."

The defense is led by junior defensive back Dontaye McCoy. He has 95 total tackles, 10 tackles for loss and three interceptions on the year. Senior linebacker Chad Pratz also has 95 tackles, six for a loss and four pass break-ups.

Lessman said the defensive line and linebackers could pose a threat to the Bearcat offense.

"They run some defenses that the last two teams have run on us, so we are really going to have to concentrate on that," Lessman said.

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Mac MIA in MIAA stats

Quarterback John McMenamin is nowhere to be found in the MIAA statistics. Had he not missed three games earlier this season with an injury, McMenamin would rank first in passing efficiency (151.88), total offense per game (329.3 ypg) and passing yards per game (330.1). In order to qualify for the conference statistics, a player has to compete in 75 percent of his team's games.

Bearcat Band-aid report

Junior wide receiver Mark Stewart is questionable this week with a sprained PCL and a tear in his meniscus.

Redshirt freshman receiver Jamaica Rector is out with a MCL injury.

Backup defensive end Mike Tiehen is out for the season after breaking his collarbone against Missouri Southern.

A BEARCAT SENIORS

A look at the careers of 13 players before their final game

■ Maurice Douglas- Eureka

This season: "Big Mo" has started at fullback all 10 games for the 'Cats. He has rushed for 175 yards and three touchdowns while catching 29 passes for 369 yards and three more touchdowns.

2000- Saw action in 10 games. Moved from tight end to fullback. Rushed for 167 yards on 33 carries, scoring two touchdowns.

■ Joe Glab- Omaha, Neb.

This season: The senior co-captain suffered an injury during the middle of the season, but has played in eight games, starting at left guard. Moved to guard and played every game.

1999- Took over the starting center position and started every game for the 'Cats.

1998- Played in every game as a redshirt freshman at backup center.

■ Geoff Goudge- Maryville

This season: Has appeared in all 10 games making 19 tackles including three for a loss.

2000- Appeared in 10 regular season games. Recorded 13 tackles, including two for a loss and one sack.

1999- Saw action in 13 games, including all 11 regular season games. He made 25 stops and had two tackles for a loss.

1998- Appeared in five games, registering six tackles as a redshirt freshman.

■ Ryan Hackett- Burlington Junction

This season: Team's leading rusher with 591 yards on 131 carries. He is averaging 74 yards per game and has scored seven touchdowns.

2000- Team's second leading rusher with 674 yards on 105 carries. Scored eight touchdowns. Averaged 61.3 yards per game and 6.4 per carry.

1999- Appeared in 12 games, including all 11 regular season games. He ranked second on the team in rushing with 579 yards on 95 carries. Rushed for 217 yards and two touchdowns against Southwest Baptist.

■ Curt Lessman- Sioux City, Iowa

This season: Lessman started eight games at center.

2000- Took over starting center position and started all 12 games. He earned Honorable Mention All-MIAA honors.

1999- Saw action in 13 games, including all 11 regular season games. He made 25 stops and had two tackles for a loss.

1998- Appeared in five games, registering six tackles as a redshirt freshman.

■ Danny Luellen- Bethany

This season: Has started all 10 games at right guard.

2000- Saw considerable action as a backup offensive lineman.

1999- Appeared in 10 games as a backup offensive lineman.

1998- Saw action in five games, with six tackles.

■ Tony Sly- Fairfax

This season: Has five interceptions.

He has 54 tackles and has appeared in 10 games.

2000- Appeared in every game making 25 tackles and breaking up three passes.

1999- Named Honorable Mention All-MIAA. Led team in interceptions with six. Recorded 31 regular season tackles.

■ B.J. Sobczyk- Omaha, Neb.

This season: Has seven tackles in six games played.

2000- Recorded seven tackles in two games.

1999- Saw action in five games, with six tackles.

1998- Saw action in five games, with six tackles.

■ Frank Taylor- St. Louis

This season: Has made 23 tackles in nine games played.

He has one interception.

2000- Earned second team All-MIAA honors. Ranked seventh on the team with 32 tackles.

1999- Named Honorable Mention All-MIAA. Led team in interceptions with six. Recorded 31 regular season tackles.

■ Justin Tyler- Platte City

This season: Has seen action in all 10 games on the offensive line this season.

2000- Saw limited action as a backup offensive tackle.

1999- Saw action in nine games, making 13 tackles.

■ Eddie Ibarra- Kansas City, Mo.

This season: Is the only MIAA kicker to connect on all of his PATs, 46-of-46. He has also made 14-of-20 field goals in his first full year for the 'Cats.

2000- Saw limited action as a backup place kicker. Converted his only PAT opportunity.

■ Philip Seeman- Harrisonville

This season: Has 12 tackles, two pass break-ups and has appeared in all 10 games this year.

2000- Played in seven games, recording seven tackles and breaking up two passes.

1999- Saw action in nine games, making 13 tackles.

■ Micah Mullenix- Woodbine, Iowa

This season: He has recorded 24 tackles in 10 games with two pass break-ups.

2000- Played in six games, recording nine tackles.

■ 33 DEFENSIVE BACK

2000- Played in seven games, recording seven tackles and breaking up two passes.

1999- Saw action in nine games, making 13 tackles.

■ 41 DEFENSIVE BACK

2000- Played in seven games, recording seven tackles and breaking up two passes.

1999- Saw action in nine games, making 13 tackles.

■ 63 OFFENSIVE LINE

2000- Played in seven games, recording seven tackles and breaking up two passes.

1999- Saw action in nine games, making 13 tackles.

TALE OF THE TAPE

	Northwest	Emporia State
Points	37.2	26.0
Points allowed	20.2	25.2
Total offense	497.4	346.6
Rushing offense	155.8	196.6
Passing Offense	341.6	150.0
Total defense	384.8	390.0
Rushing defense	158.9	210.4
Passing defense	225.9	179.6
Time of possession	31:38	28:12
3rd-Dn. Con.	50 percent	38 percent
4th-Dn. Con.	73 percent	38 percent
Field goals	14-20	10-13
Top passer	John McMenamin	Kelton Copeland
	251-151-10, 2,311 yards,	132-63-6, 973 yards,
	17 TDs	5 TDs
Top rusher	Ryan Hackett	Shon Wells
	131-591 yds, 73.9 ypg, 6 TDs	101-588 yds, 58.8 ypg, 6 TDs
Top receiver	Jamaica Rector	Ryan Johnson
	61-1,081, 120.1 ypg, 9 TDs	30-493 yds, 49.3 ypg
Top tacklers	Grant Sutton	Dontaye McCoy
	60 tackles, 14 TFL,	95 tackles, 10 TFL, 3 INTs
	4 sacks	Chad Pratz
	Tony Sly	95 tackles, 6 TFL, 4 PBUs

Quotable 'Cats

"It's the last game I can look side-to-side and see them next to me, and know we are going to go out there and get it done. It's going to be a sad day. I mean I have had a great three years here and I couldn't imagine anything better."

-Center Curt Lessman on what it will be like to line up next to Joe Glab and Danny Luellen for the last time on Saturday

"The senior captains really tried to make practice enthusiastic this week for our last game. We are just trying to show the guys how important this game is."

-Lessman on the seniors' attitude for the game this week

-Coach Mel Tjeerdsma on what he told players this week

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Northwest men's basketball

Men trounce Seattle Stars in exhibition

By BILL KNUST
SPORTS EDITOR

Using a familiar balanced scoring attack and hard-nosed defense the Northwest men's basketball team defeated the Seattle Stars in their season-opening exhibition Sunday 97-71.

Sophomore guard Kelvin Parker led the 'Cats with 16 points, including 12 in the second half. Junior guard Scott Fleming had 15 points, junior Archie Jeter had 11 points and senior center Matt Rowan had 10 points.

Northwest came out sluggish in the opening minutes as it traded baskets with the Stars. Head coach Steve Tappmeyer called a timeout, and with the score tied 15-15 the Bearcats made a run, ending any chances of a loss.

With the score 22-19 and the Stars handling the ball, Jeter started a fast break after his blocked shot. Freshman Joel Yeldell converted on the other end to give the 'Cats a 24-19 lead.

Northwest extended the lead to 28-19 following junior Ben McCollum's three-pointer. A Yeldell three pointer made the score 32-19 and the 'Cats were rolling.

Tappmeyer said he expected the team to come out sluggish, being the first game of the year.

"You always have the thought that maybe we'd come out sharp at the beginning, but it was a little bit of a concentration thing out there tonight," Tappmeyer said.

"It is the first time they have played in awhile and they are just a step slow rotating to the ball. You hope they are going to come out sharper, but if they don't you just have to work through that. You would like to do that now than that first regular game."

Sophomore Matt Grove's three-pointer gave Northwest a 45-28 lead with four minutes to go in the first half. The 'Cats tacked on four more points before half to give themselves a comfortable 49-37

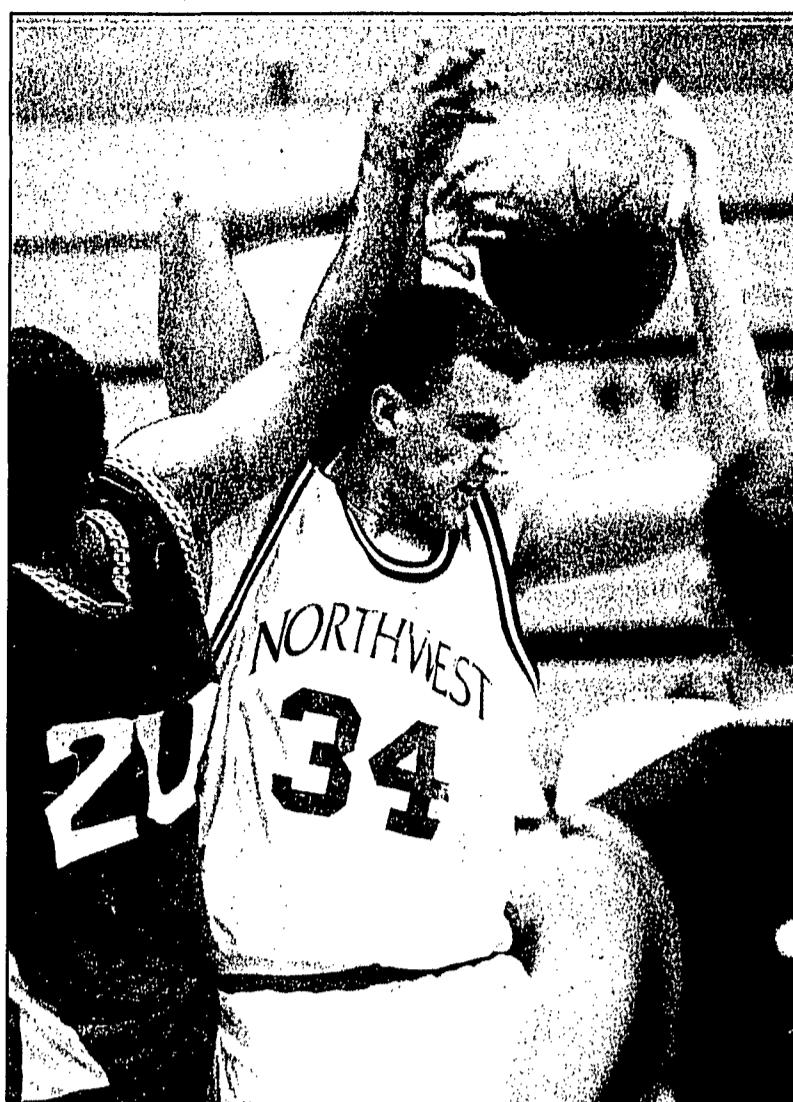


PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Senior forward Chris Borchers battles a Seattle Star defender for a rebound during the Bearcats' 97-71 exhibition win Sunday. The 'Cats will start the regular season in the Milner Classic versus Western Oregon on Nov. 16 at 8 p.m.

lead.

The Stars were able to keep the score within 20 points for most of the second half because of Antonio Manns.

Manns made four-of-six three-point shots and scored 14 points in the second half to finish the game with 22 points.

The Bearcats also kept former Sacramento Kings first round draft pick LaBradford Smith in check. He had 13 points in the first half and only a free throw in the second half to finish with 14 points.

Tappmeyer was pleased to get a win over a talented Seattle team.

"We knew they would expose some things, we played this game

to see what we have to get better at," Tappmeyer said. "There are some things you are pleased with and some that you are not. It's tough in a game like this because we are trying to play a lot of people, and trying to settle on a top eight or nine."

They will be back in action at 8 p.m. Nov. 16 in the Milner Classic against Western Oregon and unlike previous years, this time the Milner Classic will adapt a tournament style play.

The four teams will be split into two brackets, with the winners of each game playing in the championship.

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Maryville boys' soccer

'Hounds lose heartbreaker

Loss in district final gives team third defeat to Kearney

By THOMAS WRIGHT
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Following a heartbreaking 1-0 loss to Kearney in the district championship Wednesday, the Maryville Spoofhound soccer team is reflecting on its season.

"The team played their heart out," head coach Stuart Collins said. "This game was very emotional, but the kids hung their heads in there and did a great job. I could not have asked much more from them."

Kearney's only goal came on a penalty kick early in the first period.

"That one kick just got by us,"

Collins said. "We were determined to not give up another goal by playing great defense the rest of the game. Unfortunately we did not score again."

With the loss, the 'Hounds will lose 13 seniors to graduation.

"They will be missed," Collins said. "Their talent and leadership made our team MEC conference winners for the first time in our three-year history."

In the offseason the 'Hounds look forward to making another district run for next year.

"Juniors such as Lucas Larson, Adam Howell and Tim Albee are going to be the core unit of our group next year," Collins said. "Now I just have to fill in five more spots making us competitive again."

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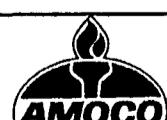
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Northwest cross country

Harriers finish year at Joplin

By ASHLEE ERWIN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Northwest cross country season may have ended Saturday, but hopes are high for next season.

The women finished ninth out of 12 teams while the men finished eighth out of 10 teams at the South Central Regional meet in Joplin Saturday.

Although no one qualified for nationals, six out of seven team members established personal records in the 6K race.

"I can't ask for more than that," head coach Vicki Wootton said.

Freshman Ashley Grosse ended the season on top once again, finishing in 36th place overall in 23:53.1. Sophomore Betsy Lee followed in 42nd place in 24:05.5.

Grosse moved to fourth place on the Northwest all-time 6K leaderboard with Lee slipping into sixth place.

This meet marked the final appearance of senior Kim Scarborough, who ran her final race despite being injured. She said she will remember more than just the team's finish this season.

Head coach Rich Alsup was pleased with Phillips' performance and its implications for next season.

"He's one of the people of the future, so we're excited to be able to have him back," Alsup said.

"We didn't really give up," Good said. "We just went out there every day and practiced hard. That's going to lead to success in the near future, hopefully, for these guys."

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REGIONAL MEET RESULTS

MEN:	
27. Jamison Phillips	33:10.5
31. Bryce Good	33:23.2
45. Kyle Daily	33:56.0

WOMEN:	
36. Ashley Grosse	23:53.1
42. Betsy Lee	24:05.5
52. Jessica Mentesano	24:49.3

just have to get some other kids a little more prepared coming in."

With most team members coming back for next season, Alsup is looking forward to the return of juniors John Heil and Kyle Keraus, both of whom did not compete this season because of injuries.

In addition, one of the top local prospects for next season is Danny Wilhite of St. Joseph Central High School, Alsup said. The team will also gain the services of two Kenyan runners coming to Northwest in January.

The lone loss will be senior Bryce Good. He hopes the challenges of this season will help strengthen the team for the future.

"We didn't really give up," Good said. "We just went out there every day and practiced hard. That's going to lead to success in the near future, hopefully, for these guys."

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Maryville football

Gridders end season in district final

By MATT KENNEDY
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A 28-3 district loss Friday to the No. 1-ranked Platte County Pirates ended the 'Hounds' season as well as any hopes to move on in the state playoffs.

Maryville finished the season with a 4-6 record that placed the team third in conference and second in district play.

Even as an underdog to the 9-0 Pirates, Maryville played hard Friday and broke two long-standing Platte County records.

The 'Hounds managed to be the first team in 23 games to hold a lead against the Pirates and were the first team in as many games to hold the Pirates' scoreless for a quarter.

"Before the game, a lot of people thought it was going to be over at halftime," head coach John Pelzer said. "Instead, Platte County was only up by nine points going into the fourth quarter."

The game started well for Maryville as junior kicker Brandon Schuster nailed a 36-yard field goal in the first quarter to give the 'Hounds a 3-0 lead.

Unfortunately, this would be the only 'Hound score of the game.

Following a Pirate touchdown late in the first quarter, junior quarterback Ryan Holman was forced out of the game with a concussion.

Sophomore backup quarterback Erick Auxier got the call to lead the 'Hounds for the rest of the game.

Platte County scored again early in the second quarter and twice more in the fourth quarter for the 28-3 victory.

Senior linebacker Joey Wilmes led the 'Hound defense with nine

tackles and senior Jacob Ehlers had seven.

Junior defensive back Derek Garrett made a key interception that helped the 'Hounds' defense shut the Pirates out in the third quarter, breaking the Pirates' 23-game streak.

The loss to the defending state champion Pirates brought mixed reactions from Pelzer.

"It hurts to lose, but we can take a lot of positive things from this game," Pelzer said. "For our guys to play four tough quarters against Platte County makes a big state-

ment about our program and how much we have improved throughout the year."

The 'Hounds, who will return nine offensive and seven defensive starters, are already looking ahead to next season.

"We started this season off slow, but finished strong," Pelzer said. "Hopefully that will carry over and give us a lot of momentum and more fan support next season. After all, August isn't that far away."

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Senior Jake Ehlers and senior Paul Otte try to bring down Platte County running back Zack Sherman during the Spoofhounds' 28-3 district final loss. The 'Hounds finished with a 4-6 record and a third-place in the conference.

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How many of you are stressed beyond all possible recovery? Here I am surrounded by piles of stuff that "has to be done." I have three chapters to read for this class, a research paper to write for that one, a test to study for, a final project looming on the horizon, quizzes here, essays there, a presentation to give, more and more and more. My calendar is so full I have to schedule in times to eat and sleep.

Stop the madness!

So that's why I'm stopping right here and turning around. I'm not entering this "real world" nonsense. No way, no how.

I'm going back to the days of innocence. Where everything I do can be justified by the fact I'm a kid. A time when parents know everything and can solve all problems.

Who's going to join me?

Sure we'll still have to go to school, but it's fun when you're a kid. Letter People sing songs to you and teach you the alphabet. We'll get to wear paint shirts in art class. Recess is our set time



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for play, sometimes up to three times a day.

And to think we left this world behind!

We won't know what the letters ACT or SAT mean. We won't be able to spell scholarship. Reports will be over books like "The Berenstain Bears" and "The Magic School Bus." Instead of speech it will be Show and Tell, no citations, no time limit.

We'll get to write in our journals. We won't have to worry about silent E's and everything is just sounded out. When we talk about our "faverit" things in "skool" or our "famoly" We won't have to worry about "spel chek."

Oh, and let's not forget naptime. We'll lie down on our red and blue plastic mats and go to sleep. Just another perk of being a kid.

We can wear Velcro shoes and it won't matter if we can't tie our shoelaces. Leggings will again be cool for girls and boys can wear their action figure briefs.

There will be no dating, only crushes. A commitment will mean checking 'yes' instead of 'no.' Kissing will be gross and sex will be a mystery.

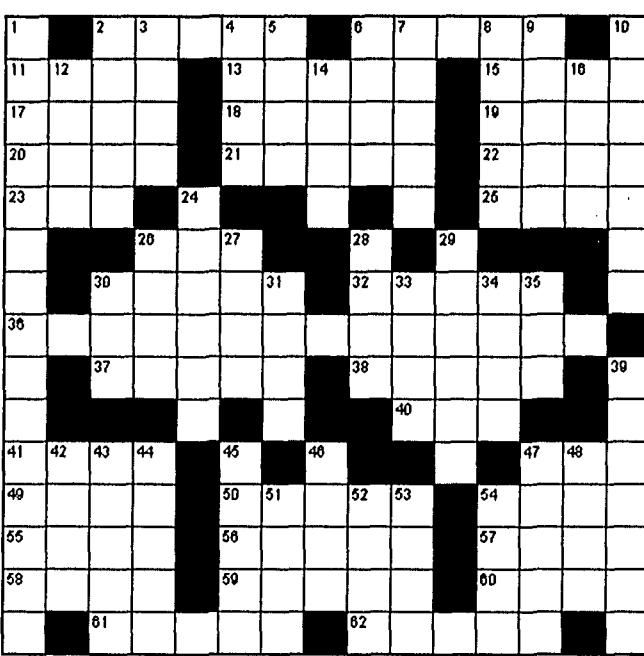
Television will consist of cartoons. And that's it. Movies will be Disney. The news will be boring and make no sense. The Smurfs will be our friends again and so will Captain Kangaroo.

To drive around we'll push G.I. Joe jeeps and Barbie corvettes up and down the driveway. Our bikes will be our wheels. No getting pulled over, no tickets and no insurance.

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WEEKLY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1. Scheme
- 2. Coconut husk fiber
- 3. Possessed
- 4. Execute illegally
- 5. Call to pigs
- 6. Form of industrial action (mainly Brit)
- 7. Small pond
- 8. Old Nicaraguan capital
- 9. Quick sharp bark
- 10. Swerved
- 11. Increased in size
- 12. Metal
- 13. Short tail
- 14. Revolutionary general Israel
- 15. Navigation system
- 16. Elizabeth the First
- 17. suffered from anthrophobia (a fear of roses)
- 18. Virginia Woolf wrote all her books standing.
- 19. One of the many actors who portrayed Tarzan, Karmala Searil, was mauled to death by a raging elephant on set.
- 20. Marilyn Monroe had 11 toes.
- 21. Al Capone's business card said he was a furniture dealer.
- 22. Shirley Temple received 135,000 presents on her 8th birthday.
- 23. The airplane Buddy Holly died in was the "American Pie," which is where Don McLean got his song title from.
- 24. The average person falls asleep in seven minutes.
- 25. Walt Disney named Mickey Mouse after Mickey Rooney, whose mother he had dated.
- 26. Nobody knows where Mozart is buried.
- 27. Lincoln Logs were invented by Frank Lloyd Wright's son.
- 28. Betsy Ross was born with a fully formed set of teeth.
- 29. Bob Dylan's real name is Robert Zimmerman.
- 30. Leonardo Da Vinci invented scissors.
- 31. Sting got his name from a black and yellow striped sweater he would wear a lot.
- 32. Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance.
- 33. The youngest movie star to win an Academy Award was Shirley Temple who won an Oscar in 1934 at the age of 6.

- 32. Fragment
- 33. Placed on a peg
- 34. Females
- 35. River in central England
- 36. Sumerian water god
- 37. Special occasion
- 38. Small sweet cake
- 39. Levees
- 40. Dam extending across the Nile
- 41. Duration
- 42. Areas of churches
- 43. Brothers
- 44. Household
- 45. Sell
- 46. Male name
- 47. Restaurant

Answers can be found on this page

Disney's new movie 'Monsters, Inc.' attracts fans young and old

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It is just past Halloween, and just as people are about to put away the ghouls, goblins and other scary holiday characters, Disney rolls out one monster of a movie for us to enjoy.

"Monsters, Inc." is the latest from the Disney/Pixar studios and follows right along in the footsteps that previous hits "Toy Story," "A Bug's Life" and "Toy Story 2" have paved in animation. Pixar pulls some amazing tricks from its bag and never fails to wow the audience.

I normally would not go to see a "kiddie film" such as this, but it was hard to resist. The commercials look pretty funny. I had finally seen "A Bug's Life" and was pleasantly surprised, and "Monsters, Inc." is supposed to be the main contender with "Shrek" in the new Oscar category for animation.

The basic plot consists of Sulley (voiced by John Goodman), the top scarer in Monstropolis and his working buddy Max (voiced by Billy Crystal). They do a great job at Monsters, Inc., which powers the rest of Monstropolis with children's screams. Sulley is approaching the record for screams captured and has the jealous Randolph scheming against him.

Through Randolph's mistake, an actual human child crosses over to the monster realm, which is bad news all around. The monsters are deathly afraid of actual human contact and consider them toxic. Sulley befriends the small girl, who he affectionately calls "Boo," and with the help of Max

works to return her to her normal world. There are the normal complications as with any children's cartoon, but it all works out in the end, just how you know it will.

This is a pretty good movie, with plenty of jokes that adults watching the movie will get and make seeing it even more worthwhile. The animation is just awe-inspiring. The fur and detail on Sulley in particular is captivating at times, so much that I paid more attention to it than what was actually happening on the screen. The life-like actions of Boo also are eerily similar to a real child.

My only complaint on this movie (and surprise, there is only one this time), is that the end credits are so not meant to be heard. For some reason they have Goodman and Crystal sing some corny, Randy Newman-esque duet and only cause people to run out of the theater clutching their ears. Goodman and Crystal are not amazing singers by any means and should stick to the acting portions of their jobs.

This was a really fun movie to watch and I found myself laughing out loud at the goofiness on more than one occasion. I would highly recommend this movie to anyone, young or old, and especially those afraid of monsters under the bed. This monster is one just too good to pass up.

"Monsters, Inc." is currently playing at The Hangar in Maryville.

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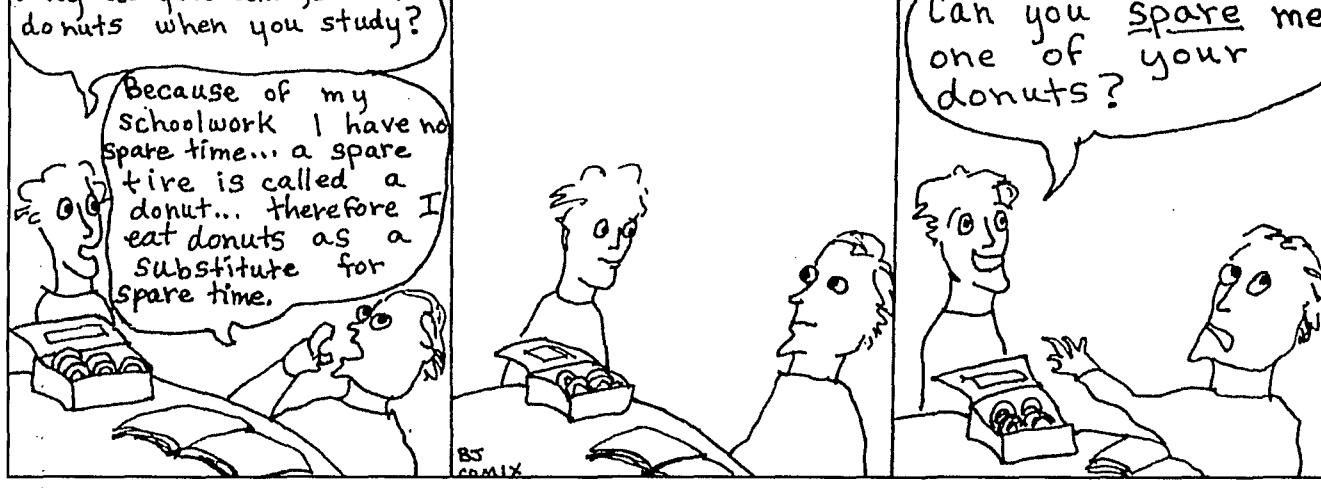
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